



SATURDAY, JULY 3, 1909.

# FROM THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS TO THE SEA

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girls in proportion who undertake the secondary stage of education as in cases of mixed schools. Here again rash dogmatism should be avoided and a wise educational adjustment of the races must be left to a just and prudent local sentiment.

## AMPLE EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES.

Throughout this entire zone, with the possible exception of a single state, the Negro has ample educational facilities. In Kentucky and Missouri, the Negro schools are notable for their excellence. There are a number of Negro public High Schools in this belt which are equipped and maintained up to the standard regulated secondary institutions, Baltimore, Washington, St. Louis, and Kansas City have Negro High Schools which are well-known for their high standards and efficiency of work. St. Louis has under construction a colored high school whose building and equipment will cost between three and four hundred thousand dollars. This will be the largest and best equipped building for the education of Negroes to be found anywhere in the United States.

## MANY SIMILAR INSTITUTIONS.

In the lower states, there are several institutions for the higher education of the Negro—some supported by private philanthropy and others by the several states. Through the state of Kansas where public schools, generally speaking, are separate in the grades, but mixed in high schools, the state supports two educational institutions for Negroes, one at Quindaro and the other at Topeka. Hon. W. T. Vernon, Registrar of the treasury, is President of the Western University at Quindaro. This school has one of the most picturesque situations of any institution of the United States. It sits upon a knoll in the midst of a 130-acre tract overlooking the silvery stream of the beautiful Missouri River with the wooded mountain side as a background in the dim distance. Prof. William R. Carter is in charge of the school at Topeka and is pushing the work forward with energy and vim that portend great things in the future.

## MIXED SCHOOLS.

In those states and parts of states where the schools are mixed, the Negro child has opened to him all of the educational facilities provided for the more favored class. Throughout this entire region, the educational situation is a marked contrast with that of the farther south where the school system is so meagre and imperfect as to be entitled to that designation only by courtesy of language.

Politically, the Negroes in these states enjoy free and unhampered privilege of the franchise. If restriction of the right of suffrage has been suggested in West Virginia and threatened in Maryland, it has not as yet been put into execution. Maryland and Kentucky alone have separate laws for local travel. I find, however, that in all cases the Negro has to maintain a ceaseless effort and eternal vigilance to safeguard the civil privileges which, it is sad to relate, are everywhere being restricted and confined to narrower and narrower limits. There is little enthusiasm upon current political issues. The general attitude toward the present administration is one of complacent expectancy. There is a large exercise of political faith which, like its spiritual prototype, is the evidence of things not seen and the substance of things hoped for.

Everyone is impressed with the kindly, genial, generous, personal disposition of President Taft, but, when his attitude toward the vital rights of the race is broached with hope and fear struggling for the ascendancy, the universal response is "It does not yet appear what it shall be." Negro politicians are singing in concerted chorus the old familiar song:

"Behold a stranger at the door,  
He gently knocks; he knocked before;  
Has waited long, is waiting still,  
You treat no other friend so ill!"

## NEGRO WORKMEN THERE.

Economically, the Negro workman finds himself confronted with the inexorable law of Anglo-Saxon competition which may be expressed in the motto: "Where there is work enough and to spare, the black man may have what there is to spare, but the white workman must receive first choice." The sceptre of the hotel and the barber shop have already passed from the Negro race. Negro workmen are found, however, in the packing houses and smelting works which employ them in large numbers. There is also a tendency to organize and develop independently business enterprises and one sees everywhere neat and orderly Negro barber shops, restaurants, drug stores and groceries. These are most encouraging indications, for the same kind of calculation, orderliness and business shrewdness here demanded will lead to success when applied to other lines of commodities.

The easterner is surprised at the number of costly and beautifully appointed homes which the Negroes

are accruing throughout the west. This stretch of country under discussion is essentially a farming region and yet the Negro population is found mainly in the cities. They do not as a general thing engage in farm activities either as laborers or as independent proprietors. Eastern Kansas forms something of an exception to this general rule. I learn that there were over three hundred farms in this section owned and operated by Negroes, the majority of the proprietors being under thirty years of age. It was my good fortune to meet with two young Negro college graduates who are enthusiastically devoted to farming activities. One of these is the son of the famous Kansas Black Potato King who operates something like four thousand acres and who, I believe, is the largest potato grower in the state of Kansas. He has under construction on his farm a residence at a cost of \$17,000.

## NO UNUSUAL CRIMINAL DISPOSITION.

The Negro shows no unusual criminal disposition except a reckless few, who like the outlaws of any race, belong to a hardened criminal and anti-social element.

The upper class of Negroes, composed of the ministers, doctors, lawyers, editors, and business men, are keenly alive to the needs of the race and are exerting a wholesome influence upon their general betterment and uplift. One meets with nothing of that spirit of supercilious aloofness from the general mass of the people who are working together in the common cause.

After such a tour as this, one feels able to unravel the tangled web of the Race Question and to reveal its inner spirit and meaning. In the first place, one is convinced that education of whatever kind or character is not of itself the solution of the Race problem; else the problem would be solved in this section where the Negro has all of the educational opportunities applicable to the most favored members of the human race. Education is essential but not adequate. If every Negro of the United States carried in his knapsack a Harvard Diploma with a Tuskegee certificate added, we should still view the race problem.

## POLITICAL RIGHTS NOT ALL.

In the second place, political rights, necessary as they are for any race or class in a Democratic republic, do not afford the desired solution; otherwise the problem would be solved in all the northwestern states where the Negro votes as freely as any other man. If every Negro in Mississippi, exercised the untrammeled right of suffrage as they do in Kansas, there would still be a grievous residue of the race problem. This problem prevails throughout the entire United States, where the Negro is intelligent as where he is ignorant where he is disfranchised as where he has political freedom; where he is thrifty as where he is indolent; where he is virtuous as where he is vicious. Political rights, education, industry and virtue are human values and have their own reward. They constitute essential factors in the race problem which, however, is broader and deeper and more profound than any one of those, or than all of them put together. The equation of the race problem is greater than any of its factors. The Rev. Mr. Quincy Ewing in a notable article in the March number of the Atlantic Monthly, has told us that the heart of the race problem consists in the attitude of the white race toward the Negro. If the white man's disposition towards the Negro constitutes the essence of the race problem, the quintessence of the problem is the Negroes' attitude towards himself.

## THE PRINCIPLES DEMANDED.

Race loyalty and union built upon political rights, education, character, thrift and good will, constituted the burden of the message which I had to deliver. I firmly believe that the Negro will ultimately become one in hope, aspiration, and destiny with the great body of the American people, but as a condition precedent he must become one with himself.

## SHORT HEALTH TALKS.

Number 8.—Summer Vacations.

When the hot weather comes, many persons in towns and cities think they must drop their work and go to some other locality for a vacation. In some cases, such a change is a necessity; in others, it is merely a question of personal inclination; and in still others, it is really harmful to leave home.

In any case, the summer visitor should be very careful in choosing the place for his vacation and especially careful in the way he spends it. As a general rule, a person should seek a change of altitude in taking his summer vacation. The man from Tidewater will often be more benefited by a trip to the mountains than by a visit to the seashore, and vice versa.

Much more important, however, is the choice of a place. Many people hurry away to a resort of some sort, without inquiring about conditions at the place to which they are going. This frequently results in a long stay at a place where there are none of the conveniences to which city people are accustomed, and none of the securities of the city for health.

When you are thinking of visiting any summer resort, never make any arrangements until you are satisfied that the water and milk are good, that there is no typhoid fever in the immediate neighborhood and that the sewage at the resort is disposed of in a satisfactory manner. If you cannot be satisfied on these points, do not hesitate to go somewhere else. A few pointed inquiries on these matters will save the visitor much risk of sickness and will result, in the end, in a marked improvement in the sanitary arrangements at summer resorts.

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MRS. JOSIE A. GRAHAM,  
G. W. Receiver of Deposits, Grand Court of Virginia.

## MURDERED OVER TEN CENT WAGER.

Eddie Evans Shot and Killed by James Nicholas in Colored Poolroom.

Following a quarrel yesterday afternoon over a game of pool in a colored poolroom at 309 West Broad Street, James Nicholas shot Eddie Evans just over the heart, causing his death an hour later, and then escaped, his head bleeding, it is stated, from a wound inflicted by a cue stick in the hands of his victim. As the quarrel began at the end of the first game, so eyewitnesses declare, Nicholas walked up to Evans and placing his revolver against his chest fired the fatal shot. Evans fell to the ground, and under cover of the excitement, Nicholas got out of the back way and made his escape down a side street. Two officers who were called to the scene summoned the ambulance, and the dying man was taken by Dr. Davis of the city ambulance corps, to the City Hospital, where he died an hour later.

He recovered a short while after a hypodermic injection, but soon relapsed into unconsciousness, and the story of his murder could not be gained from his lips.

## HAD ROW OVER TEN CENTS.

Some of the witnesses stated that



MRS. EMMA CHERRY,  
G. W. Assistant Conductress, Grand Court of Virginia.

Evans owed Nicholas a 10-cent bet on the game just finished, and that as the balls were about to be racked for a second game Evans started to leave. "Hold on here," Nicholas is said to have exclaimed, "you've got plenty of money, and let's have another game." But Evans wanted to stop, and refused to pay the wager. Then William H. Pollard is alleged to have passed Nicholas a revolver from behind a cigar box.

The latter walked up to Evans, and fired the shot without warning. Others declare that he fired in self-defense, after he had been struck over the head by Evans with a cue. A broken cue stick, which was not first seen by the officers, was afterwards found, and was taken as part of the evidence.

Pollard was arrested on a charge of aiding and abetting in the murder, and was locked up in the Second Police Station. The police have their doubts about the cue stick, for as they did not find it at first, they believe that it was broken purposely afterwards to show that it had been used against Nicholas.

The murderer came here about five years ago from Washington, and the Washington authorities were asked to arrest him if he returned to that city.

Coroner Taylor will hold an inquest over the body at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

—Times-Dispatch, June 29, 1909.

Rev. C. H. Phillips, D. D. to be Remembered.  
Beaver Dam, Va., May 15, '09.  
Our beloved Pastor, Rev. C. H. Phillips, D. D. has served us contin-

uously for 25 years, and in appreciation of his faithful services, we have decided in a regular church meeting to make this Twenty-fifth Anniversary a Red Letter Day in the history of our church and in the life of our dear Pastor.

While we love him for his Christian character, deep sympathy, wonderful gifts and faithful ministry, we realize that the whole country has received the benefits of his marvelous gifts as a strong New Testament Evangelist. Thousands of souls, North, East, South and West have been brought to the light of the gospel through his earnest efforts, churches have been spiritually revived and families to rejoice. He has brought comfort and joy to thousands of homes, and we feel that these churches and individuals feel with us that they would like to express their gratitude in a tangible way and therefore we feel constrained to give them this opportunity.

On the third Sunday in July, 18th, the Twenty-fifth Anniversary occasion, we propose to celebrate the momentous event at our church by presenting Dr. Phillips, a Quarto Centennial Purse and we want to make it as large an offering as possible.

We have appointed a committee from our church to have charge of this celebration and some citizens of Richmond where our pastor resides, have been added to this committee. We cordially invite churches and

I, Thomas H. Wyatt, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of the Mechanics Savings Bank of Richmond, located at Richmond, in the County of Henrico, State of Virginia, at the close of business on the 23d day of June, 1909 to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOS. H. WYATT, Cashier.

Correct—Attest:

JOHN MITCHELL, JR.,

J. J. CARTER,

D. J. CHAYERS,

Directors.

State of Va., City of Richmond.

Sworn to and subscribed before me by Thos. H. Wyatt, Cashier, this 29th day of June, 1909.

J. THOS. HEWIN, Notary Public.

My commission expires Apr. 18, 1910

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## STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF

The Mechanics' Savings Bank of Richmond, located at Richmond, in the County of Henrico, State of Virginia at the close of business, January 23, 1909, made to the State Corporation Commission.

## RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$17835.21
Overdrafts	
Secured	\$1169.16, Unsecured, \$43.08
Bonds, Securities, etc. owned and including premium on same	2630.00
Other real estate owned	98265.13
Furniture and fixtures	2160.62
Exchanges and checks for next day's clearing	2576.74
Due from National Banks	14722.96
Paper Currency	385.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	117.00
Gold coin	5.00
Silver coin	294.25
All other items of Resources	3603.78
Total	\$143807.93

## LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$25620.00
Surplus fund	6250.00
Dividends unpaid	317.91
Individual deposits subject to check	33222.33
Time certificates of deposit	78397.69
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